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SUBJ: NEWSMAN'S REPORT OF US PRISONERS IN CAMBODIA

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1. SVEN SJUBERG, WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS A SWEDISH JOURNALIST WHO WAS IN FRENCH EMBASSY IN PHNOM PENH, CALLED ON EMBOFF MAY 12. SJUBERG SAID HE PARTICIPATED IN CONVERSATION DESCRIBED BY CAMMERON IN PARA 3 OF REFTEL. HIS DESCRIPTION OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF CONVERSATION AGREES WITH CAMMERON'S.

2. SJUBERG SAID TWO KR "OFFICERS" WERE ASKED IF JOURNALISTS MISSING CAMBODIA WERE BEING HELD BY KR. THEY REPLIED THAT THEY DID NOT KNOW BUT THAT PERHAPS JOURNALISTS WERE BEING HELD WITH US "ADVISORS AND PILOTS" WHO WERE IN KR HANDS. KR WOULD NOT SAY HOW MANY PERSONS WERE BEING HELD OR WHERE, BUT DID SAY THAT THOSE BEING HELD WERE IN GOOD CONDITION. KR PREDICTED THAT NEW CAMBODIAN
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GOVERNMENT WOULD TRY TO EXCHANGE THESE PRISONERS FOR

MATERIAL TO AID IN THE REBUILDING OF THE COUNTRY. IF
THE US WAS NOT WILLING TO MAKE SUCH AN EXCHANGE, THEN
THE PRISONERS WOULD BE KEPT.
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